

2026-27 Budget Strategic Planning Update: January 2026



Agenda

- Budget Timeline
- Governor's January Budget Proposal
- 2026-27 Scenarios
- Budget Reduction Planning
- Next steps

> Budget Timeline

Campus Budget Finalization (2025-26)

UBO finalizes budget and seeks final approval from CFO & President. UBO posts final budget in CFS & Open Book. UBO submits budget to the CO.

Jul-Sept

CSU Budget Request goes to Governor and Legislature (2026-27)

Oct-Jan

Campus Budget Strategic Planning (2026-27)

UBO engages leadership, URPC & campus partners on budget planning. UBO provides preliminary proposed budget target scenarios to Divisions. Divisions begin to budget plan accordingly.

Governor's January Budget Proposal (2026-27)

Feb-Apr

Campus Budget Preparation (2026-27)

Divisions work with their MBUs to meet preliminary proposed budget target. Budgets are submitted to respective VPs for approval.

May-Jun

Campus Budget Submission (2026-27)

UBO provides final budget target scenario to reflect any material changes from preliminary planning. Divisional budgets are presented for review to leadership and URPC.

Governor's May Budget Revision (2026-27)

Governor's Final Budget (2026-27)



Governor's January Budget Proposal

- **\$365.7 million in new ongoing funding**
 - \$100.9 million toward Year 4 Compact funding (partial)
 - \$264.8 million for Year 5 Compact funding (full)
 - Defers remaining \$151.4 million Year 4 Compact funding to future fiscal years
- **Restoration of the \$143.8 million 2025-26 base reduction**
- Additional year of the zero-interest loan opportunity

➤ CSU Budget Request vs. Gov's Proposal

2026-27 Operating Budget | Revenue Assumptions

Revenues	CSU Budget Plan <i>(in millions)</i>	January Budget Proposal <i>(in millions)</i>
Restoration of 2025-26 General Fund Reduction	\$143.8	\$143.8
State General Fund (Compact Year 4)	252.3	100.9
State General Fund (Compact Year 5)	-	264.8
Tuition from Rate Increase (6%)	175.8	175.8
Tuition from Student Access & Enrollment (1%)	25.2	25.2
Total Revenue	\$597.1	\$710.5

➤ 2026-27 Scenarios - Jan 2026

Scenario 1

+0.2%

+\$290 thousand

*Assumes new CSU funding
IS NOT fully allocated
to CSU mandatory costs*

1. Enrollment growth of net +4.72%
2. +1.62m increase in tuition & fee revenue
3. -\$3.38m (-5%) enrollment reallocation
4. -\$993k campus mandatory costs & allocations
5. +\$144m general fund reinstatement
 - a. +\$3.04m discretionary to campus
6. +\$365m compact funding to CSU
 - a. Net \$0 discretionary to campus

Scenario 3

-1.5%

-\$2.75 million

*Assumes new CSU funding
IS fully allocated
to CSU mandatory costs*

1. Enrollment growth of net +4.72%
2. +1.62m increase in tuition & fee revenue
3. -\$3.4m (-5%) enrollment reallocation
4. -\$993k campus mandatory costs & allocations
5. +\$144m general fund reinstatement
 - a. Net \$0 discretionary to campus
6. +\$365m compact funding to CSU
 - a. Net \$0 discretionary to campus

Scenario 4

-3.0%

-\$5.27 million

*Assumes CSU mandatory costs
exceed new CSU funding*

1. Enrollment growth of net +4.72%
2. +1.62m increase in tuition & fee revenue
3. -\$3.4m (-5%) enrollment reallocation
4. -\$993k campus mandatory costs & allocations
5. +\$144m general fund reinstatement
 - a. Net \$0 discretionary to campus
6. +\$365m compact funding to CSU
 - a. Net -\$2.5m campus funded compensation (2%)

Reduction amounts and percentages herein are calculated based on the total operating budget.

> 2026-27 Reduction Planning

Division	Reduction Range			
	Low		High	
President	\$17,000	1.2%	\$55,000	3.8%
University Advancement	\$55,000	1.2%	\$176,000	3.8%
Academic Affairs	\$1,008,000	1.2%	\$3,217,000	3.8%
Administrative Affairs	\$249,000	1.2%	\$796,000	3.8%
Enrollment Management	\$181,000	1.2%	\$578,000	3.8%
Athletics	\$41,000	1.2%	\$132,000	3.8%
University Wide	\$99,000	1.2%	\$316,000	3.8%
Total	\$1,650,000	1.2%	\$5,270,000	3.8%

Notes:

- Divisions are being asked to plan for reductions within a range from 1.2% up to 3.8%, to account for remaining budget uncertainty including state volatility, collective bargaining negotiations and enrollment projections.
- Reduction amounts and percentages herein are preliminary and are calculated based on divisional adjusted operating budgets, which exclude financial aid, self-generated revenue, first year new base allocations and funding held centrally for future allocations (GI 2025, Poly, Compensation).



Next Steps

OCTOBER

2025-26 Budget Divisional Recap Presentations

October 24th

- Advancement
- Administrative Affairs
- University Wide
- President's Office

NOVEMBER

2025-26 Budget Divisional Recap Presentations

November 7th

- Enrollment Management & Student Success
- Academic Affairs
- Athletics & Recreation

2026-27 Budget Preliminary Planning Scenarios

November 21st

- UBO to finalize & share with leadership & URPC

DECEMBER

2026-27 Budget Preliminary Planning Scenarios

December 15th

- UBO to distribute preliminary scenarios & targets to the campus

JANUARY

State January Budget Proposal

January 9th

- CA Governor to release 2026-27 Budget Proposal

2026-27 Budget Preliminary Planning Scenarios

- UBO will provide updated planning scenarios if budget proposal varies significantly from preliminary planning.

FEBRUARY

Spring Open Budget Forum

- URPC & UBO to host Spring Open Budget Forum

2026-27 Campus Budget Preparation

- UBO to provide planning tools to support divisional reduction scenarios across the planning range.
- Divisions will work with MBUs to align plans with preliminary budget targets.

MARCH

2026-27 Budget Divisional Presentations

- Advancement
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